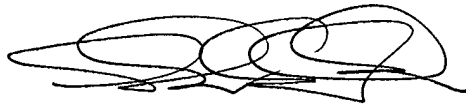


**REMARKS**

Claims 1-6, 8, 9 and 25 are allowed. This paper is being filed in response to a Notice to File Corrected Application Papers issued on October 8, 2003, and is supplemental to the response filed on October 20, 2003. Applicant notes that the October 20, 2003 response was apparently not received and is being resubmitted along with this supplemental response and a Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment. Applicant respectfully requests that this application be passed to issuance.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below, if needed. Applicant hereby makes a written conditional petition for extension of time, if required. Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Deposit Account No. 23-1951.

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